

1. (currently amended) A device for testing a fire alarm including a smoke alarm and at least one gas sensor, the device comprising a testing pot fittable over a fire alarm; a first gas container with aerosol for operational testing of the smoke alarm, said first gas container having a first valve and a first gas outlet opening, said first gas outlet opening extending into said testing pot; and means for making a testing gas for at least one gas sensor, wherein said testing gas is available in said testing pot.
2. (previously amended) The device as defined in claim 1; and further comprising a second gas container for at least one testing gas, said second gas container being provided with a second valve.
3. (previously amended) The device as defined in claim 2, wherein said second gas container is connected with said first gas outlet opening.
4. (previously amended) The device as defined in claim 2, wherein said second gas container has a second outlet opening.

5. (previously amended) The device as defined in claim 1, wherein said first gas container accommodates at least one testing gas which is used as an aerosol.

6. (previously amended) The device as defined in claim 1, wherein said first gas container contains a testing gas which is selected from the group consisting of methanol and ethanol.

7. (previously amended) The device as defined in claim 1, wherein the means for making the testing gas is an electrolysis unit for producing hydrogen as at least one testing gas.

8. (previously amended) The device as defined in claim 7, wherein said electrolysis unit has an aqueous sulfate solution.

9. (previously amended) The device as defined in claim 1, wherein said first gas outlet opening is oriented to a temperature sensor of the fire alarm.

10. (previously amended) The device as defined in claim 2, wherein said first and second valves are controllable in a manner selected

from the group consisting of a mechanical control and an electro mechanical control.

11. (previously amended) The device as defined in claim 2; and further comprising a control unit which controls at least one of said first and second valves.

12. (previously amended) The device as defined in claim 2, wherein at least one of said first and second gas containers is formed as a spray box.

13. (currently amended) The method of testing a fire alarm, comprising the steps of performing an operational testing of at least one smoke alarm of the fire alarm with an aerosol, and performing an operational testing of at least one gas sensor of the fire alarm with at least one testing gas, and using an alcohol selected from the group consisting of methanol and ethanol for testing the at least one gas sensor.

Claims 14-17 cancelled.

18. (previously amended) A fire alarm for performing the method of claim 13, comprising means for switching a testing mode and means for signaling an operational ability of the alarm.

19. (Currently amended) A method of testing a fire alarm, comprising the steps of performing an operational testing of at least one smoke alarm of at the fire alarm with an aerosol, performing an operational testing of at least one gas sensor of the fire alarm with at least one testing gas, and using an alcohol selected from the group consisting of methanol and ethanol for testing of the at least one gas sensor.

20. (Currently amended) A method of testing a fire alarm, comprising the steps of performing an operational testing of at least one smoke alarm of at the fire alarm with an aerosol, performing an operational testing of at least one gas sensor of the fire alarm with at least one testing gas, and operationally testing a temperature sensor of the fire alarm by a temperature reduction with a testing gas which is sprayed on the temperature sensor and selected from the group consisting of the aerosol, at least one testing gas, and both

21. (New) The method of testing a fire alarm, comprising the steps of performing an operational testing of at least one smoke alarm of the fire alarm with an aerosol, and performing an operational testing of at least one gas sensor of the fire alarm with at least one testing gas; and operationally testing a temperature sensor of the fire alarm by a temperature reduction with a testing gas which is sprayed on the temperature sensor and selected from the group consisting of the aerosol, at least one testing gas, and both.